ment propose to implement the Revised Master Plan to ensure necessary infrastructure for the projected population of the Union Territory of Delhi by 2001?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a). The Master Plan for Delhi perspective 2001 has been in force with effect from 1. 8. 90. Since then the new Development Code and Land Use Plan as provided in MPO-2001 have been made effective.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d). Exercises have already been initiated for the the provision of infrastructure to meet the needs of the projected population in collaboration with the concerned local bodies and Delhi Administration.

Insurance Scheme and Growth Funds for Small Scale Units

*816 SHRI M. V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be ploased to state:

(a) whether the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry has urged the Government to Introduce a comprehensive insurance scheme for the small scale unite and create growth funds for their expansion;

(b) if so, whether the said proposals have since been examined;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN: (a). Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The suggestions made in the Memorandum of the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry on problems of small scale sector with particular reference to Insurance Scheme and Growth Funds are being looked into by the RBI Committee on Credit.

Small Scale Units in Assam

*817 SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small scale industrial units in Assam at present;

(b) the number of persons / families employed in these units;

(c) the arrangements made for marketing their produce;

(d) hether some of these units are gradually becoming sick; and

(e) if so, the remedial measures being adopted by the Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN): (a). The cumulative number of small scale industrial units registered with the State Directorate of Industries. Government of Assam and falling under the purview of Small Industries Development Organisation (SIDO) was about 14,500 as on 31-12-1991.

(b) Employment in these units as estimated by the Director of Industries, Assam is about 87,000.

(c) The Government of India is providing assistance to the States / UTs including Assam in marketing the products of small scale industrial units through Central Government Stores Purchase Programme and by sales of SSI products through the State Marketing Agencies and their outlets.

(d) As per the latest RBI data, the number of sick small scale industrial units in Assam at the end of September, 1990 stood at 4,448.

(e) Government are helping revival of viable sick small scaler industrial units including those in Assam through:-

(i) issuance of detailed guidelines by RBI to Scheduled Commercial banks from time to time;

(ii) setting up of State Level Inter—Institutional Committee (SLIIC) in all States under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Industries Department;

(iii) National Equity Fund operated by Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI); and

(iv) The Centrally Sponsored Margin Money Scheme for revival of sick small scale units.

As a followup of the new policy measures for promoting and strengthening small, tiny and village enterprises laid in Parliament on 6-8-91, a Committee to review the arrangements for meeting the working capital requirements of small scale industries has also been appointed *vide* RBI Memorandum dated 9-12-91.

Commission on Bonded Labour

*818. SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a decision to set up a Commission on Bonded Labour has since been taken;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) (a) to (c). The proposal to constitute the National Commission on Bonded Labour has been examined in detail. The Government consider that setting up anotner Commission is not necessary at this stage. What is required is better implementation of the provisions of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976. The implementation of the Act by the State Governments is being closely monitored.

Seminar by B. I. S.

*819. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a seminar on safety at workshop was organised by the Bureau of Indian Standards on the occasion of World Standards Day on October 15, 1991;

(b) if so, the observations and suggestions made at the seminar; and

(c) the steps taken and directions issued/being issued to improve the safety conditions in the Workshop especially where children are working?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLISE CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) .Yes, Sir.